



2025 English Drama Fest FACT SHEET

Organizer

The Association of English Medium Secondary Schools

Supporting Organization

NET Section, Education Bureau

OBJECTIVES

- To promote and enhance students' interest and proficiency in English in a fun and active way
- To provide an opportunity for students in EMI schools to foster an inter-school exchange in theatre art

TIMELINE

Date	Event
3 December 2024	Briefing after AEMSS AGM
Mid-March – early April 2025	Competitions at schools in Kowloon, the New Territories and Hong Kong Island
Mid/Late May 2025	Prize Presentation Ceremony and Outstanding Performances

INSTRUCTIONS

- Schools may choose to participate in the Modern Drama **and/or** Shakespearean Drama:
 - **Modern Drama:**
 - I: Schools will perform a set script.
 - Or
 - II: Schools may choose to write an original play or adapt one.
 - **Shakespearean Drama:** Schools will perform a set extract from a selected Shakespearean play (either in the original or modern language).
- Duration of each play **MUST NOT** exceed 15 minutes for the Modern Drama and 20 minutes for the Shakespearean Drama.
- Schools that over-run will **NOT** be considered for the Outstanding Performance Award.
- Host schools will provide **basic furniture** (chairs, desks, notice boards) and **basic school-stage lighting** (no spots, strobes or floods).
- Schools should prepare their own **simple** props and costumes.
- There is no limit to the number of actors/actresses.

- Schools are encouraged to use a computer for sound effects. If required, ONE pre-recorded sound file is allowed.
- No electronic pre-set lighting is allowed.
- Use of computer and projection is **NOT** allowed except for sound effects.

APPLICATION

- The entry fee is \$1000 per school.
- Please complete the Google entry form:
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdutII1D0-e8jyOO-q7PVaSDgAYRCwTPnQjqPtIUtXHe_pIEw/viewform?usp=pp_url
- Make the cheque payable to '**The Association of English Medium Secondary Schools**', and post it to Ms Maggie Chau, Principal of St. Stephen's Girls' College, 2 Lyttelton Road, Hong Kong. Please put down the name of the school, and the name and contact number of the person in charge written on the back of the cheque.
- **Deadlines:**
 - **Drama Fest Entry: 20 December 2024**
 - **Submission of Entry Fee (by post): 10 January 2025**



*Places for the Drama Fest are limited. Allocation will be on a first-come-first-served basis.

PRIZES

- All participants (actors and backstage helpers) will get certificates of participation.
- The following prizes will be awarded for each competition session:

★ Modern Drama Sessions I & II

- OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE (to perform in the Prize Presentation Ceremony)
- OUTSTANDING PERFORMER (up to 6 awardees in a session with 8 schools)
- OUTSTANDING TEAMWORK
- OUTSTANDING CREATIVITY (in the use of props and costumes)
- OUTSTANDING DIRECTING
- OUTSTANDING SCRIPT (original or adapted)
- OUTSTANDING SPOKEN ENGLISH

★ Shakespearean Drama Session

- OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE (to perform in the Prize Presentation Ceremony)
- OUTSTANDING PERFORMER (up to 6 awards in a session with 8 schools)
- OUTSTANDING TEAMWORK
- OUTSTANDING CREATIVITY (in the use of props and costumes)
- OUTSTANDING DIRECTING
- OUTSTANDING SPOKEN ENGLISH

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